



2001 SENATE BILL 457

February 22, 2002 – Introduced by Senators DECKER and SCHULTZ, cosponsored by Representatives FOTI and PETROWSKI. Referred to Committee on Insurance, Tourism, and Transportation.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 348.07 (1) of the statutes; **relating to:** allowing 2-vehicle
2 combinations of a certain length to operate on certain highways without a
3 permit.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, with limited exceptions, no person may operate on a highway any single vehicle with an overall length in excess of 40 feet or any combination of two vehicles with an overall length in excess of 65 feet, unless the person has a permit to exceed these lengths.

This bill increases, from 65 feet to 70 feet, the maximum overall length of a two-vehicle combination that may be operated on a highway under the jurisdiction of the department of transportation without a permit.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

4 **SECTION 1.** 348.07 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
5 348.07 (1) No person, without a permit therefor, may operate on a highway any
6 single vehicle with an overall length in excess of 40 feet or any combination of 2

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1 vehicles with an overall length in excess of ~~65~~ 70 feet on a highway under the
2 jurisdiction of the department or 65 feet on any other highway, except as otherwise
3 provided in subs. (2) and (2a).

4 **SECTION 2. Initial applicability.**

5 (1) This act first applies to violations committed on the effective date of this
6 subsection, but does not preclude the counting of other violations as prior violations
7 for purposes of sentencing a person.

8 (END)